THE SEVENTH DAY.

1st March 1920.

The Assembly met again at 12-10 P. M. on Monday, the 1st March 1920.

94. Means of communication in the Alangad taluk.

Mr. K. P. Kunjikrishna Menon (Member, T. I. C., Alwaye) said that the town of Alwaye which was fast growing in importance was divided into two portions by the Periyar and that 5 *pakuthies* in the taluk were on the southern portion, while 4 *pakuthies* were on the northern portion. All the public offices, schools, the market and the Railway Station were on the southern side of the river, while the bulk of the people were on the northern side, especially the school-going population, who were experiencing great difficulty in having to cross the big river. During the rainy season the river was almost impassable even with the help of ferry-boats. He, therefore, prayed that a bridge might be constructed across the Periyar at Alwaye.

He then urged the need for the execution of the following public works in the taluk :—

1. A cartable road from Edapalli to Perumbavur *via* Thrikkakara, so that the people of the *pakuthies* of Edapalli and Thrikkakara which were within the jurisdiction of the Perumbavur Munsiff's Court might be enabled to reach Perumbavur without resorting to the circuitous path through Alwaye.

2. The road from Alwaye to Angamali should be repaired and two bridges provided, one across the Parambathu *thodu* near the 2nd mile-stone and the other across the Vazhi *thodu* near the 3rd mile stone.

3. A branch road should be constructed from near the 2nd mile-stone of the Alwaye-Angamali road to the Chowara Railway Station.

4. The village road from the 3rd mile-stone of the Alwaye-Angamali road to the Angamali-Kaladi road should be improved and rendered more useful to the public.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

95. Means of communication in the Parur taluk.

Mr. A. Ananthapadmanabha Iyer (Member, Parur taluk) referred to the urgency of the following public works in the Parur taluk and prayed that his representations might engage the early attention of Government :—

1. A metalled road from Kuriapalli to the Chathanad-Munambam road, with bridges and culverts wherever necessary.

2. A cartable road from Parur to Varapuzha so as to afford greater facilities to the people of the Vadakkekara and Munambam *pakuthies*.

3. Widening and deepening of the Cheriapalli-Parur Canal or the Pazhni *thodu*, so as to render it navigable throughout the year and of the Kundekavu *thodu*.

4. The construction of a bridge across the Kundekavu *thodu* already sanctioned should be taken up without any further delay.

The Member then requested that the improvement of all the roads in the taluk might be taken up at the rate of one mile a year. He also advocated the formation of Taluk Boards and District Boards as in British India and the introduction of a road cess for the improvement of the roads in the taluk.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

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